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Temporary Signals Re-Activated at the Pulga Bridge

REDDING – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will re-activate the temporary signals at the Pulga Bridge on State Route (SR) 70 in the Feather River Canyon beginning Tuesday, May 9, 2006. The signals are again necessary while the final phase of construction, painting of the bridge, is completed.

The signals will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The signals have camera detection and are activated by approaching traffic. Motorist can expect up to 5-minute delays at the traffic signals. Painting work is scheduled for daylight hours, Monday through Friday with completion anticipated in November and is being done by ACC West Coast and Long Painting

Painting of the Pulga Bridge is the final step in a three-year project to rehabilitate five bridges along SR 70 in the canyon. The bridges are located at Pulga, Rock Creek, Storrie, Tobin and Howells. Work is complete on four bridges and has included replacement of bridge decks, seismic retrofitting and bridge strengthening, foundation strengthening, upgrade of bridge rail, guardrail and concrete barrier.

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